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In nicht allzu ferner Zukunft werden die Städte von staatlich gelenkten Jugendbanden beherrscht. Wer keiner Gang angehört, ist als gesellschaftlicher Außenseiter gebrandmarkt. Der stille und geheimnisvolle Julian ist so ein Außenseiter, ebenso wie die hübsche Anna.
Als Julian eines Tages Anna vor einer Abreibung durch eine der Gangs bewahrt, nimmt der Ärger seinen Lauf. Die beiden geraten voll zwischen die Fronten der rivalisierenden Banden…

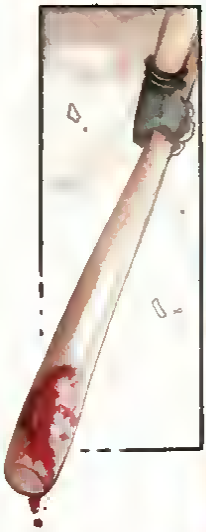
SZENE 1

IT'S THE YEAR 2D66... THE WORLD HAS BECOME A DARK PLACE. NATURAL DISASTERS, WARS, AND OVERPOPULATION HAVE MADE CITIES A DANGER ZONE. THE GAP BETWEEN THE RICH AND THE POOR IS GETTING LARGER AND LARGER; LIKEWISE, GENERAL DISSATISFACTION IS INCREASING.
AIMLESS TEENAGERS GATHER IN GANGS, READY TO USE VIOLENCE AND THREATEN SOCIETY. THE RICH, HOWEVER, HAVE ALREADY SOLVED THIS PROBLEM WITH A SIMPLE SOLUTION...

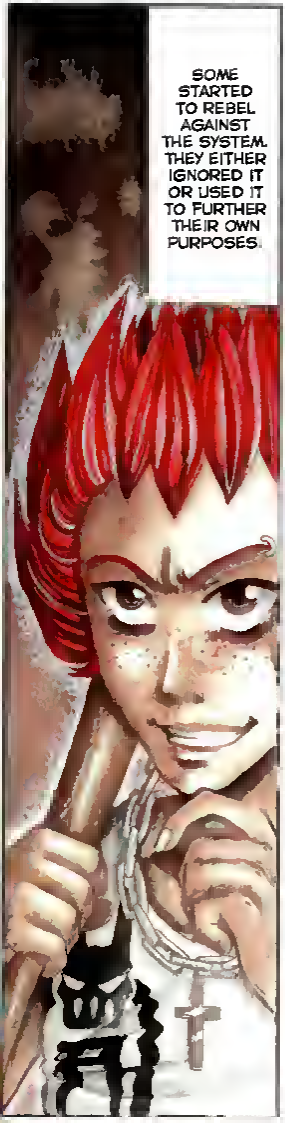
...THEY'VE MADE THEIR SONS BECOME THE LEADERS OF THESE GANGS TO BRING THEM UNDER CONTROL AND RESTORE ORDER IN THESE DANGEROUS CITIES.

BUT THE YOUTHFUL MIND WASN'T MADE FOR CONFINEMENT.

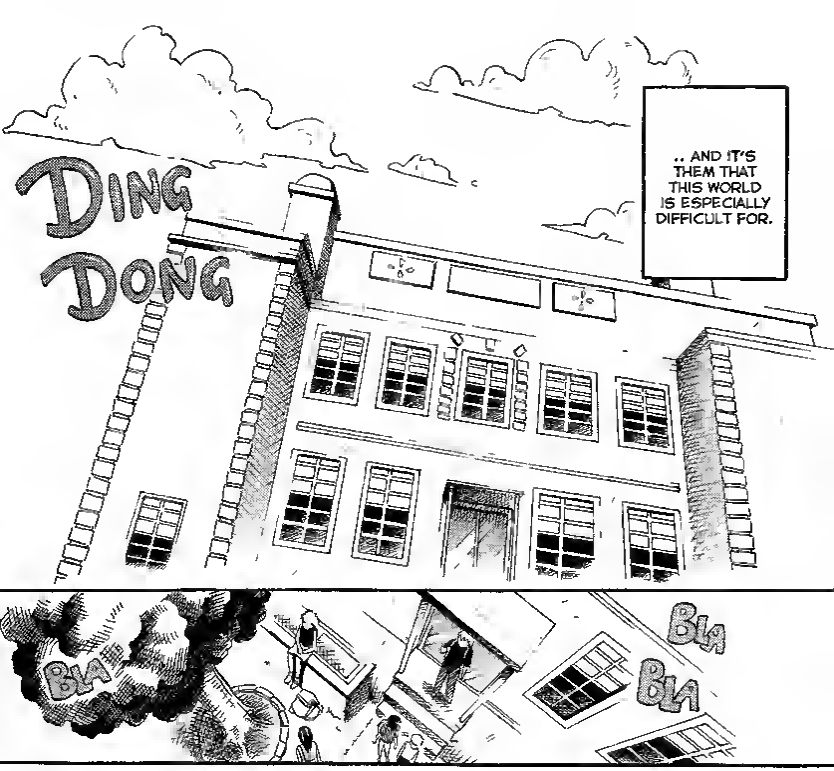
GANG TATTOOS AREN'T JUST BEING USED FOR IDENTIFICATION... THEY'VE BECOME THE "ENTRANCE TICKET" FOR AN APPRENTICE-SHIP AND A JOB.



THIS SEVERE SYSTEM HAS WORKED WELL UP UNTIL NOW,



BUT OF THOSE WHO STEP OUT OF LINE, NOT ALL OF THEM ARE VIOLENT...


DING DONG
.. AND IT'S THEM THAT THIS WORLD IS ESPECIALLY DIFFICULT FOR.
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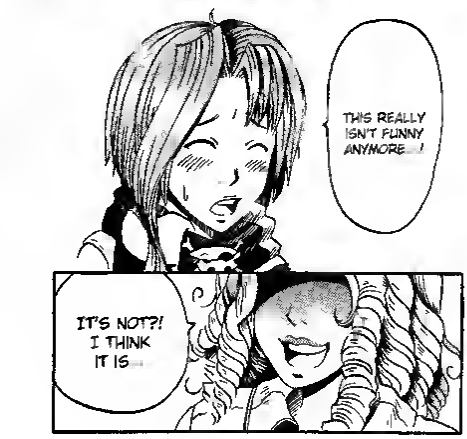
BLA


THIS REALLY ISN'T FUNNY ANYMORE...!
IT'S NOT?! I THINK IT IS...

PLEASE, JUST LET ME PASS!

OR ARE YOU AFRAID YOU'LL TRIP OVER YOUR CRABS?
IF YOU WANNA GET PAST ME, THEN DO IT!
CRABS?
HAHAHA! SHE TOTALLY LOOKS LIKE SHE HAS CRABS!
HAHA! RIGHT!
THAT EXPLAINS A LOT!
I BET SHE WAS BORN AT A GARBAGE DUMP!
HEY, CHICA! WHERE DID YOU GET YOUR CLOTHES?! FROM THE DUMPSTER?!

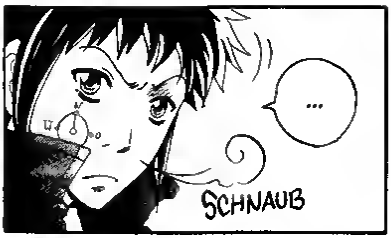
...
YEAH... REALLY FUNNY...!
CAN I GO NOW?
AND I'M HUNGRY!
OH, WELL. I HAVEN'T EATEN YET...
NO, YOU CAN'T!
YOU IN A HURRY OR SOMETHING?!
PT.
YOUR LUNCH IS ALREADY HERE...
THEN YOU BETTER EAT SOMETHING RIGHT AWAY!
DID YOU HEAR THAT?! SHE'S HUNGRY!

RASCHEL
LET'S SEE... WHAT DO WE HAVE TODAY?
MMM! ORANGE PEELS!
UUUH! NO! I WON'T EAT THAT!
WHA?!
GO! GRAB HER!
YOU UNGRATEFUL BITCH! YOU'RE GONNA EAT WHAT I GIVE YOU!
L-L-LEAVE ME ALONE!
AAAH!!
BATSCH

NO!! LET ME GO!
BE A GOOD GIRL AND OPEN YOUR MOUTH FOR ME!
ZAPPEL
NICO, YOUR GIRL AND THE OTHER GUYS ARE BULLSHITTING AROUND AGAIN!
WÜRG
MMM! YUM YUMS! HERE, ONE FOR MAMA
NAH!
THAT'S BIANCA'S PROBLEM.
MAYBE YOU SHOULD DO SOME-THING...?

I DON'T CARE ABOUT EACH LITTLE THING!
I'M NOT GONNA DEAL WITH IT.

SHUT UP, NICKY!!
THIS IS GIRLY STUFF! WHO CARES!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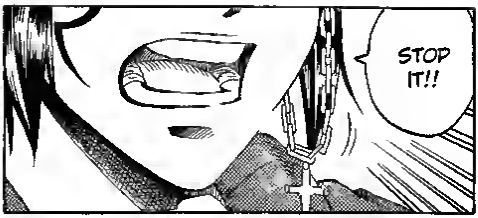
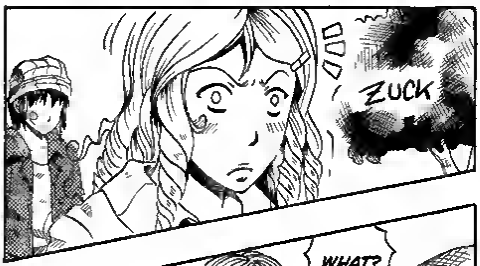
SCHNAUB

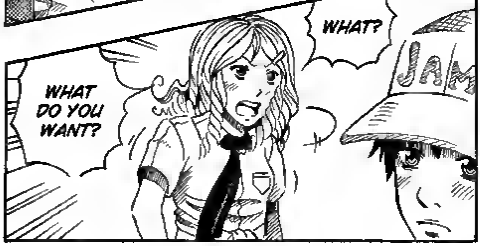
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?!

AS THE NORTHSIDE LEADER, SHOULDN'T YOU BE KEEPING ORDER?

EVER SINCE NICO GOT TOGETHER WITH BIANCA, HE'S GETTING MORE ROTTEN...
OKAY, I GOT IT! STOP WITH THE YELLING!
I REALLY DON'T LIKE IT!
THERE'S NO WAY THE CITY'S GET LESS VIOLENT AT THIS RATE..
T/N: SFX: cough
HUST!
HUST!
WHAT?! HAD ENOUGH ALREADY?!
ARE YOU ON A DIET OR SOME-THING?!
TAP TAP


STOP IT!!

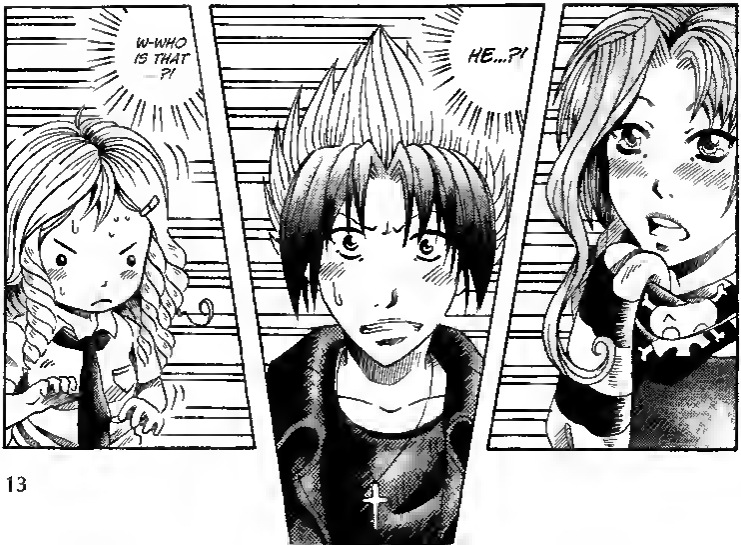

ZUCK

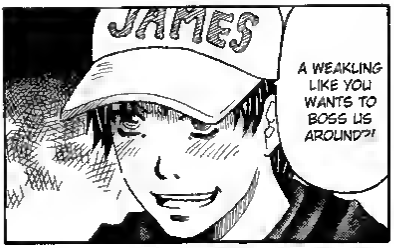

WHAT?
WHAT DO YOU WANT?

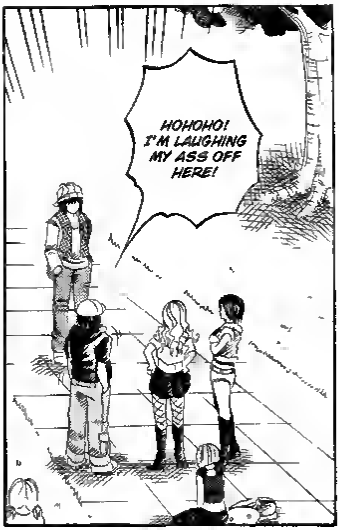
...
THERE'S STILL A LOT LEFT. WHAT A WASTE...

CUT THAT SHIT OUT! WHAT ARE YOU EVEN DOING THIS FOR?!

THIS...
...I'M NOT LETTING THIS GO ON ANY LONGER!


W-WHO IS THAT ?!
HE...?!

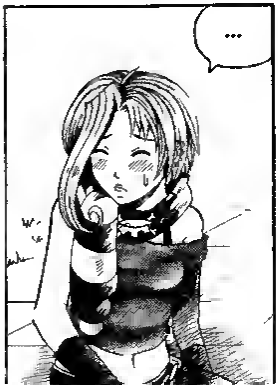

JAMES
A WEAKLING LIKE YOU WANTS TO BOSS US AROUND?!


HOHOHO! I'M LAUGHING MY ASS OFF HERE!

YEP.

HMM...

GRAB
BETTER RETHINK THAT, BABY-FACE! OR YOU MIGHT END UP GETTING ACQUAINTED WITH THIS BABY-ROCK!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OKAY! I'VE THOUGHT IT OVER
WINK
GIVE ME YOUR BEST SHOT! LET'S SEE IF YOU CAN HIT ME...
ARE YOU FUCKING WITH ME!?
ZUCK
WOSCH!!!
TAKE THAT!!
DSCH!!!
ARGH!!
OH NO!!

HMM... THAT WASN'T NICE! NOW I'M BLEEDING...
SST

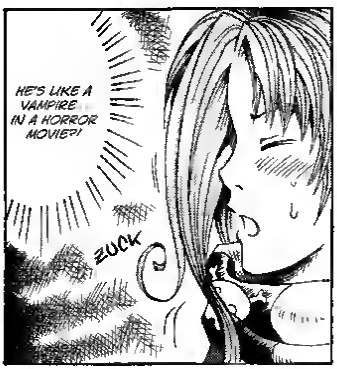
ZUM!!!
BAM!!!

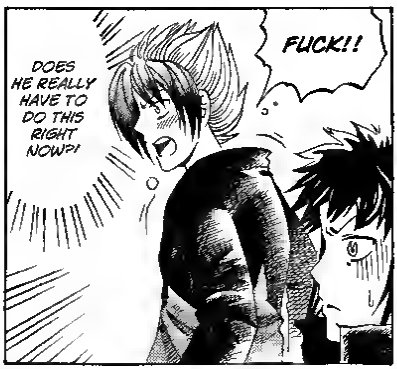
OH MAN!
YOU TOLD ME TO THROW IT!

LET'S GO!
WHAT A PSYCHO!
HE'S LOST HIS MARBLES!

BA-
DOM!!!
PACK!
I DON'T LIKE GUYS LIKE YOU!
TO ME YOU'RE JUST CHOW.
I'M GONNA TELL YOU SOMETHING!
BEFORE YOU RUN OFF AND LEAVE YOUR BUDDY BEHIND...

BEISS!!!
E-E-EWW!!
H-HE'S BITING HIM...
AND DRINK-ING HIS BLOOD ...!

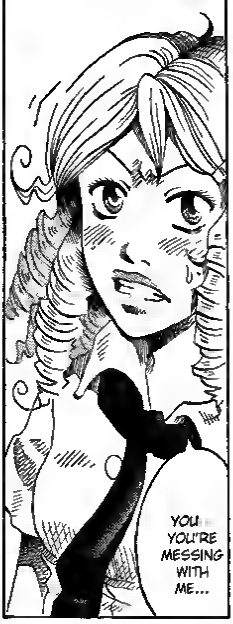

HE'S LIKE A VAMPIRE IN A HORROR MOVIE?!
ZUCK

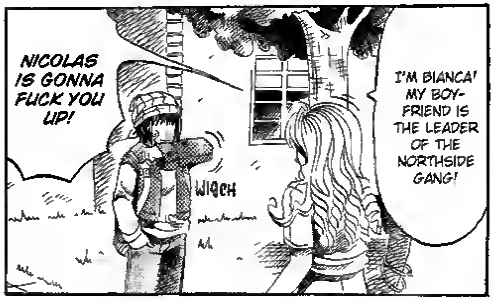

DOES HE REALLY HAVE TO DO THIS RIGHT NOW?!
FUCK!!

WISCH
MMM! THANKS FOR THE BLOOD DONATION!
KICHER
WOMP
HE HE
OR YOUR BLOOD IS MINE TOO! THOUGH IT PROBABLY WOULDN'T TASTE VERY GOOD...
AND ANOTHER THING! KEEP YOUR HANDS OFF THE LIL' RED-HEAD!

YOU HAVE NO IDEA WHO YOU'RE TALKING TO!

GNN


YOU... YOU'RE MESSING WITH ME...


NICOLAS IS GONNA FUCK YOU UP!
WITCH
I'M BIANCA' MY BOY-FRIEND IS THE LEADER OF THE NORTHSIDE GANG!

WOUNDS HEAL, SWEET-HEART.
...BUT I DON'T GIVE A SHIT.

MAYBE ...
SST

I'M NOT AFRAID OF A LITTLE PAIN.
SPARE ME YOUR THREATS.
HAVE A NICE DAY, YOU SPINELESS WIMPS!
BYE!
WHAT A CREEP...
HE'LL PAY FOR THAT!
WHO WAS THAT GUY? I HAVEN'T SEEN HIM AROUND BEFORE.
AND WHY'D HE HELP ME? HE DOESN'T EVEN KNOW ME...

I THOUGHT EVERYONE IN THIS DAMN CITY JUST LOOKED OUTFOR THEMSELVES...
I ALSO WANT TO KNOW...
...WHY HE WAS DRINKING HIS BLOOD!
IS THAT GUY WITH HIS COLD EYES REALLY THAT DIFFERENT?
MAYBE I'VE FINALLY FOUND AN ALLY...